

## § 86.1237-85

the vehicle to follow the next acceleration as prescribed, the driving schedule indicator shall be stopped. When the vehicle restarts, the driving schedule indicator shall be reactivated.

(2) If the engine stalls during some operating mode other than idle, the driving schedule indicator shall be stopped, the vehicle shall then be restarted and accelerated to the speed required at that point in the driving schedule and the driving schedule continued. During acceleration to this point, shifting shall be performed in accordance with § 86.1228-85.

(3) If the vehicle will not restart within one minute, the test shall be voided, the vehicle removed from the dynamometer, corrective action taken, and the vehicle rescheduled for testing. The reason for the malfunction (if determined) and the corrective action taken shall be recorded.

[48 FR 1456, Jan. 12, 1983, as amended at 58 FR 16060, Mar. 24, 1993]

## § 86.1237-85 Dynamometer runs.

(a) The vehicle shall be either driven or pushed onto the dynamometer; however, if driven, the period of engine operation between the end of the diurnal loss test and beginning of the hot soak preparation run shall not exceed 3 minutes, and the vehicle shall be driven at minimum throttle. The dynamometer run shall follow the diurnal heat build by not more than one hour. The vehicle shall be stored prior to dynamometer operation in such a manner that it is not exposed to precipitation (e.g., rain or dew).

(b) The following steps shall be taken for the dynamometer run:

(1) Place drive wheels of vehicle on the dynamometer.

(2) Position the cooling fan(s).

(3) Attach an exhaust tube to the vehicle tailpipe(s).

(4) Start the engine.

(5) Turn on the cooling fan(s).

(6) Operate the vehicle according to the dynamometer driving schedule (§ 86.1215-85).

(7) At the end of the last deceleration, disconnect the exhaust tube from the vehicle tailpipe(s) and drive vehicle from the dynamometer.

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## § 86.1237-96 Dynamometer runs.

Section 86.1237-96 includes text that specifies requirements that differ from § 86.1237-85. Where a paragraph in § 86.1237-85 is identical and applicable to § 86.1237-96, this may be indicated by specifying the corresponding paragraph and the statement “[Reserved]. For guidance see § 86.1237-85.”

(a) The vehicle shall be either driven or pushed onto the dynamometer; however, if driven, the total time of engine operation during the 12 to 36 hour soak period shall not exceed 3 minutes, and the vehicle shall be driven at minimum throttle. The vehicle shall be stored prior to dynamometer operation in such a manner that it is not exposed to precipitation (e.g., rain or dew).

(b) [Reserved]. For guidance see § 86.1235-85.

[58 FR 16061, Mar. 24, 1993]

## § 86.1238-90 Hot soak test.

The one-hour hot-soak evaporative emission test shall be conducted immediately following one cycle of the dynamometer driving schedule.

(a) Prior to the completion of the dynamometer cycle, the evaporative emission enclosure shall be purged for several minutes.

(b) The FID hydrocarbon analyzer shall be zeroed and spanned immediately prior to the test.

(c) Fresh impingers shall be installed in the methanol sample collection system immediately prior to the start of the test, if applicable.

(d) If not already on, the evaporative enclosure mixing fan(s) shall be turned on at this time.

(e) Upon completion of the dynamometer run the exhaust tube shall be disconnected from the vehicle tailpipe(s), the cooling fan(s) shall be moved, and the vehicle shall be disconnected from the dynamometer and driven at minimum throttle to the vehicle entrance of the enclosure.

(f) The vehicle's engine must be stopped before any part of the vehicle enters the enclosure. The vehicle may be pushed or coasted into the enclosure.

(g) The test vehicle windows and any storage compartments shall be opened, if not already open.

(h) The temperature recording system shall be started and the time of engine shut off shall be noted on the evaporative emissions hydrocarbon data recording system.

(i) The enclosure doors shall be closed and sealed within two minutes of engine shutdown and within seven minutes after the end of the exhaust emission test. The steps after the end of the driving cycle should be done as quickly as possible to minimize the time needed to start the hot soak test.

(j) The  $60 \pm 0.5$  minute hot soak begins when the enclosure doors are sealed. The enclosure atmosphere shall be analyzed and recorded. This is the initial (time = 0 minutes) hydrocarbon concentration,  $C_{HCi}$ , for use in calculating evaporative losses (see § 86.1243). The "zero" time methanol sample shall be collected starting at the same time as the hydrocarbon analysis is started. Sampling shall continue for four minutes.

(k) The test vehicle shall be permitted to soak for a period of one hour in the enclosure.

(l) The FID hydrocarbon analyzer shall be zeroed and spanned immediately prior to the end of the test.

(m) Fresh impingers shall be installed in the methanol collection system immediately prior to the end of the test, if applicable.

(n) At the end of the  $60 \pm 0.5$  minute test period, the enclosure atmosphere shall again be analyzed (as described in § 86.1238-90(j)) and the time recorded. This is the final (time = 60 minutes) hydrocarbon concentration,  $C_{HCf}$  and the final methanol level for use in calculating evaporative losses (see § 86.1243). This operation completes the evaporative emission measurement procedure.

(o) *Alternate method for methanol sampling.* Since sample times of longer than four minutes may be necessary in order to collect an adequate and representative sample of methanol at the end of a test (when SHED concentrations are usually increasing rapidly), it may be necessary to rapidly collect the methanol sample in a bag and then bubble the bag sample through the impingers at the specified flow rate. The time elapsed between collection of the bag sample and flowing through

the impingers should be minimized in order to prevent any losses. This alternative must be adopted if the four minute sample period is inadequate to collect a sample of sufficient concentration to allow accurate GC analysis.

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#### § 86.1238-96 Hot soak test.

(a)(1) *Gasoline- and methanol-fueled vehicles.* For gasoline- and methanol-fueled vehicles, the hot soak test shall be conducted immediately following the running loss test. However, sampling of emissions from the running loss test is not required as preparation for the hot soak test.

(2) *Gaseous-fueled vehicles.* Since gaseous-fueled vehicles are not required to perform a running loss test, the hot soak test shall be conducted within seven minutes after completion of the hot start exhaust test.

(b) The hot soak test may be conducted in the running loss enclosure as a continuation of that test or in a separate enclosure.

(1) If the hot soak test is conducted in the running loss enclosure, the driver may exit the enclosure after the running loss test. If exiting, the driver should use the personnel door described in § 86.1207-96(a)(2), exiting as quickly as possible with a minimum disturbance to the system. The final hydrocarbon and methanol concentration for the running loss test, measured in § 86.1234-96(g)(1)(xx), shall be the initial hydrocarbon and methanol concentration (time=0 minutes)  $C_{HCi}$  and  $C_{CH_3OH_i}$  for the hot soak test.

(2) If the vehicle must be moved to a different enclosure, the following steps must be taken:

(i) The enclosure for the hot soak test shall be purged for several minutes prior to completion of the running loss test. WARNING: If at any time the concentration of hydrocarbons, of methanol, or of methanol and hydrocarbons exceeds 15,000 ppm C the enclosure should be immediately purged. This concentration provides at least a 4:1 safety factor against the lean flammability limit.